

Air Resources Board

Gray Davis Governor

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Dear Sir or Madam:

The staff of the Air Resources Board (ARB) invites you to a meeting of the Reactivity Research Advisory Committee (RRAC) on December 3, 2003. This meeting is a follow-up to previous RRAC meetings at which reactivity research needs were discussed for architectural coatings.

In June of 2000, the Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) approved the Suggested Control Measure (SCM) for Architectural Coatings. At the meeting, the Board also directed the staff to evaluate the feasibility of a future reactivity-based control strategy for architectural coatings. In response to Board direction, ARB staff requested Dr. Carter of the University of California, Riverside to submit a technical proposal for reactivity research for architectural coatings. Since then, four RRAC meetings were held to discuss the research project and prioritize the tasks proposed. The focus of the last meeting held on December 4, 2002 in Sacramento, California was on the selection of petroleum distillates for this research project.

At this meeting, the current status of ARB's reactivity projects will be discussed. This includes an update on the on-going reactivity projects and architectural coatings program. A new reactivity project, which was funded by the South Coast Air Quality Management District, will be presented and the selection of compounds and mixtures for this project will be discussed. The meeting will be held at the following time and place:

Wednesday, December 3, 2003 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. California Environmental Protection Agency 1001 I Street, Room 550, 5th Floor Sacramento, California 95812

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If you would like to participate in the development of this research, we invite you to attend the meeting. The meeting agenda and presentations will be posted by November 26, 2003 on the ARB's website

(http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/reactivity/reactivity.htm). If you have any questions about the meeting or would like to participate, please contact Dr. Dongmin Luo at (916) 324-8496 or dluo@arb.ca.gov. If you have any other questions, please contact me at (916) 323-4519 or recorey@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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